

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the claims is requested.

Claims 1-14, 19-24, and 29-30 are pending.

Claims 1-30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Herrmann U.S. Publication No. 2003/0055994.

The claims are amended and claims 15, 17-18 and 25-28 are cancelled without disclaimer or prejudice.

The independent claims are 1, 5, 9, 13, and 29.

Herrmann paragraph 81 discusses "A user that is non-compliant is redirected to this web server, which informs the user of the non-compliance and provides information about how to go about updating the anti-virus application."

Moreover, Herrmann paragraph 51 discusses "The system also facilitates updating anti-virus engines and virus signatures (i.e., virus definitions or "DAT" files) when required in an efficient and time-sensitive manner."

Claim 1 is amended to emphasize "judges the security level of the user apparatus does not reach the predetermined security level, ***to restrict as a restriction range an access permission range on a network of the user apparatus to be within a predetermined range on a network to which a security-setting guide server management device belongs, wherein the security management device sends a program to the user apparatus and causes the user apparatus to set the security of the user apparatus by executing the program when the security level of the user apparatus does not reach the predetermined security level.***"

However, Herrmann merely discusses providing the user with information for facilitating updating the anti-virus application (engines). Herrmann does not disclose restricting an access permission range on a network, and "***when the security level of the user apparatus does not reach the predetermined security level,***" ***causing the user apparatus to set its security.*** In other words, Herrmann paragraphs 51 and 81 discuss updates for anti-virus information of a client device, however, Herrmann does not disclose "***causes the user apparatus to set the security of the user apparatus***" ***by a program sent to the user apparatus.*** For example, page 12, lines 9-20 of the instant application provide support.

The rejection of claim 1 can be withdrawn.

Independent claims 5, 9, 13 and 29 emphasize features similar to the discussed features of claim 1.

Dependent claims 2-4, 6-8, 10-12, 14, 19-24 and 30 ultimately depend from claims 1, 5, 9, 13 and 29, respectively, and so at least similarly distinguish over Herrmann.

It is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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